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At "McLion," The Peak, on the 24th instant, the wife of E. Jones HUGHES, of a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 1891.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

OWING to extreme pressure on our news columns, special telegrams from the Palmerston Times, and our San Francisco Times, and our San Francisco exchanges are unavoidably held over.

We are informed by the Agent of the Messageries Maritimes that the Company's steamer *Sydney*, with the next French mail, left Saigon on Saturday at 3 p.m., for this port.

Mrs. FOX—You came home early last night, I notice!

Mr. FOX—My dear, I assure you I didn't intend to.

A REGULAR meeting of Zealand Lodge, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Tuesday, the 1st prox., at 8.30 p.m. or 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE Agents (Messrs. Carlowitz & Co.) inform us that the Navigazione Generale Italiana steamer *Bormida*, from Bombay, left Singapore for the port yesterday, and may be expected on or about the 30th inst.

A WOULD-BE sportsman was boasting so much about his achievements that at last one of his friends offered to bet a sovereign that he did not know the difference between a grouse and a griffon. "Done," said he: "a grouse is the male, and a griffon is the female."

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On Saturday evening all the world and his wife, to say nothing of the sisters, the cousins and theunts thereof, assembled in the Botanical Gardens to listen to the music which was being disbursed by the Band and Pipers, of the gallant 91st. That we hear all too little of this Band has been acknowledged since their advent amongst us, and if they, like other civilised regiments, would stay in the Gardens on Sunday evenings, the regiment would advance considerably in popularity.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess tomorrow, commencing at 8 p.m.:—

March... "Op. 1" ... Schubert.

Selection... "De Rembrandt" ... Lassalle.

Selection... "Rip van Winkle" ... Paganini.

Serenade... "Quand tu Chantes" ... Gounod.

Selection... "Le Fil de Madame Angot" ... Leocadie.

TEACHER—You must not come to school any more, Tommy, until your mother has recovered from the prevailing "Brain fever." Tommy—There ain't a bit of danger. She ain't going to give me no fever." "Why, how is that?" She's my stepmother. She never gives me any."

CAPTAIN—My man, I wouldn't ship on this voyage if I were you."

Sailor—Why not? Ain't I all right?"

Captain—Yes, but you are too fat."

Sailor.—What if I am? I can handle a rope as well as any man."

Captain—Yes, but we are bound for the Cannibal Islands."

A CORRESPONDENT writes to ask us why the clock at the Police court has lost its face. To which inquisitive query we reply by asking—are we the keeper of the clock? Certainly not! but one reason for its losing face might be that it has had to face such an amount of unprecedeted perjury and bawdy villainy in the sensational conspiracy case, that in despair it has closed its eyes for ever.

YOUNG Celestial bards should remember that, when fortune does admit of their indulgence in a pony and trap, other people (strange as it may seem) also have a right to the roads. If Mr. To Kee had remembered this on Saturday night he would now be five dollars richer, to say nothing of the cost of the trap, and Mr. Wicks would have been saved some trouble at the Magistrate's this morning.

Why is it sermon, prayer, and song? Are investments bad in Hongkong? The soldier marches miles in drill; The sailor climbs the steepest hill; The broker's ever on the run; The banker nightly chases fun; No matter what their daily search; They're all too tired to go Church!

[On yes I have noticed this before.—ED.]

From the record of the local police court it would seem that street gambling is on the increase at an unprecedeted rate, owing to the extraordinary vigilance that the "coppers" now exercise over the sporting establishments frequented by these gentry. Upwards of two dozen characters coming under the above category were dealt with by Mr. Wise this morning and were fined according to their deserts. (Abha 7)

THE Eastern and Australian Co.'s steamship *Menmut*, Capt. Hugh Craig, from Sydney July 21st, via Moreton Bay, Townsville, Cooktown, Thursday Island, Port Essington, and Port Maitland, arrived in harbour at 8.30 this morning, having made the run from Darwin in a little over eight days—a capital performance at this season of the year. The steamer's report and passenger list will be found in our shipping column.

Mr. A. K. TRAVERS, the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong C. C. informs us that the following representatives of the local Club will probably leave for Shanghai, on or about, the 10th September, to meet the doughty foes of the North, under the captaincy of the redoubtable Dunn—Capt. Dunn, L. Barr, Capt. Drummond, R.E., Major Hannay, Dr. Lowson, E. M. Long, R.E., E. W. Maitland, F. Maitland, E. A. Ran, Two others, W. Newton, E. C. H. Grant (not umpire).

We note that Mr. Kenneth Stevens, secretary of the Balmoral Mining Co., Ltd., who has been absent for the past three months on a special mission to the Company's property in New South Wales, returned to the colony this morning by the E. & A. Co.'s steamer *Menmut*. Mr. Stevens' report will doubtless be placed before the shareholders at an early date; but we understand that the want of success which has so far attended working operations is chiefly attributable to inefficient management at the mines. An interesting account of a recent visit to the Balmoral Mine by "Our Special Commissioner" will appear in our next issue.

Mr. J. C. Hendry, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., once a well-known Hongkong cricketer, has lately been earning undying fame for himself as honorary secretary of the Port Darwin Dramatic Society. At the best of times the capital of the Northern Territory is a dead-and-dull place, and but for the efforts of Mr. Hendry, and other kindred spirits in the dramatic and musical departments, the probability is that long ere this the comedy of Palmerston would have become modern Rip Van Winkles. The Dramatic Society's smoking concerts have proved a universal boon, and a dramatic and musical entertainment, projected for next month to wipe off the debt of the Roman Catholic Church in the town, promises to be the event of the season. Mr. "Jack" Hendry's numerous friends in the Far East, and their names are legion, will be glad to know that the once deadly brawler of the Hongkong C. C., now a distinguished member of the ancient order of Benedictines, abhors a tendency to put on dash, is still as fit as the proverbial fiddle, and as effective as ever "between the sticks."

Out of which there has been paid

Dividends... \$1,070,662

Interest... 202,444

Labour and material... 7,187,361

Written off for depreciation... 541,659

Office expenses... 217,428

Summed... 214,420

The returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Aug. 23rd, are: Europeans 170, Chinese 2,036; total 2,206.

POPE HEANEY'S particular friend (7), Sir F. Broome, succeeds Sir William Robinson, the elect of Hongkong, in the governorship of Trinidad.

AT THE MEETING.

Old Vito Seal—He vos nien non shareholder of Docks.

Poematcher—Nien! vos be not? Vell shop her sprikken, he vosh on mine delicate grout.

A PRIVATE of the A. & S. Highlanders was found last night in the "Rose, Shamrock and Thistle" Hotel by the Military police; the man was in a pitiable condition and died this morning, from concussion of the brain. Further particulars are withheld until after a court of enquiry has been instituted.

Mrs. NEWMA—Oh, I wish you could see Mrs. Winkler's baby. It's perfectly lovely. Such a delicate, sweet little creature as it is! It's a perfect little cherub, with the loveliest eyes, the sweetest little mouth, the cutest little nose, and eyes of heavenly blue. It looks as if it had just dropped from heaven and every tiny

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 1891.

A meeting of shareholders in the Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company, Limited, was held yesterday. Mr. King, the chairman, alleged that the losses of the Company were largely due to the management of the late Brisbane board of directors. The London directors advised that the law would hold the Brisbane directors liable. A resolution to reduce the capital was agreed to.

It is reported that, in his recent visit to London, the Emperor William discussed with Lord Salisbury the question of European disarmament. It was the Emperor's intention to suggest that Great Britain should propose a disarmament throughout Europe, but this idea has been abandoned by his Majesty, to whom the British Premier hinted that Germany ought to set the example.

Mr. W. H. Smith, First Lord of the Treasury, who has been suffering from serious illness, is improving.

There is a dispute in the Conservative party as to whether Mr. Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, or Mr. A. J. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, should be appointed to succeed Mr. Smith as leader of the House of Commons, in the event of his retirement from that position. The claim of Mr. Balfour are preferred.

Dr. Bergmann, who was called upon by the Berlin Government to answer the charge made against him in regard to the inoculation of incurable hospital patients with cancer lymph, has explained that the operation was in no way painful to the victims of the experiment.

Mr. John Pender, chairman of the Eastern Telegraph Company, has announced that the increase in business consequent upon the reduction in the cable tariff is regarded as very satisfactory. The Company has been so far recouped that it is prepared to continue the experiment beyond the present year.

Germany has decided to encourage cotton-growing in her colonial possessions.

The English Bank of the River Plate, whose premises are situated at St. Swithin's Lane, London, has suspended payment.

Mr. Raikes, the Postmaster-General, has established an express letter delivery throughout the United Kingdom.

The uncollected million of the late Victorian loan, recently floated on the London markets, has been paid in by the successful tenders.

The Czar and Czaria of Russia are on a visit to the Grand Duchy of Finland. Their Imperial Majesties have been paid at the cold reception accorded them by the populace who were dissatisfied with the action of the Russian Government in meddling with the Constitution of the Grand Duchy.

It is announced that Prince George of Wales will proceed to India in November next on a semi-state visit.

M. Ribot, Minister for Foreign Affairs, replying to a question in the French Chamber of Deputies last night, denied that any systematic attempt had been made by the German Government to exclude French commercial travellers from German territory, as had been alleged by M. Laut, the Boulanger deputy. He protested against the culpable levies displayed in raising wantonly embarrassing international questions.

The Chamber voted to receive proofs offered by M. Laut, with the object of showing that his complaints were well founded, and passed a vote of confidence in the Ministry by 309 to 102.

Notwithstanding the vote of confidence, it is still felt that M. Ribot's position has been shaken.

The House of Lords agreed last night to a motion by the Marquis of Salisbury, declining to hear Lord Dufferin for the remainder of the present session, in consequence of the absurd speeches and molasses which he has been habitually of late inflicting upon their lordships.

[Lord Dufferin has long been noted for the absurdity of his speeches, one of which he embellished by a recital of the "Charge of the Light Brigade" to the astonishment and amusement of the House.—Ed.]

The excitement among the Navajo Indians in the United States continues. They have threatened to massacre the white people in the neighborhood of their settlement unless the Sheriff releases their chief, who was recently arrested by the authorities.

July 19th.

It is announced that the chief, who was really arrested for horse-stealing, has been acquitted and released. The trouble with the Indians is now at an end.

News has reached London to the effect that serious complaints have been made in regard to the condition of the Expedition despatched to Matabeleland, in South-East Africa, by the British South African Company. It is asserted that the Company neglected to provide proper equipment for the members of the Expedition. The country is said to be full of graves, and 50 deaths occurred at Lundi alone. The settlement of Fort Victoria is fever-stricken, and 52 out of 60 police stationed there are on the sick list.

A vote of credit for 600,000 francs, proposed by M. de Freycinet, Minister for War, for the enlargement of the Polytechnic School, has been rejected by the French Chamber of Deputies.

M. de Freycinet threatened to resign in consequence of the adverse vote, but his colleagues in the Cabinet dismissed him from doing so.

The session of the Chamber of Deputies has closed.

The local authorities of Kazan, Eastern Russia, has applied to the Russian Government for 5,000,000 roubles to feed the starving peasants. They further appeal for delay in the payment of taxes, and urge the closing of the flour shops for one year.

It is stated that it is the intention of the Government to ask the House of Commons to sanction the carrying out of preliminary surveys with a view to the construction of a railway from Mombasa, on the east coast of Africa, to the port of Lake Victoria Nyanza.

The Marquis of Salisbury, questioned in the House of Lords last night as to the accuracy of the report, that the French had occupied the frontier state of Lung Prabang, in Siam, stated that there was no foundation for the report. The Premier's references to the matter were couched in language warning France against interfering with the autonomy of Siam.

MELBOURNE, July 20th.

A special meeting of the Marine Board to-day considered the report of the shipping inspection regarding the stranding of the British India Co.'s steamer *Bancoura*. The report stated that the lead was never used to verify the vessel's position, nor were any signals made for a pilot. The Chairman (Captain Fullerton) suggested that there was no necessity to hold a preliminary inquiry, as the facts showed that the vessel was at least five and a half points out of her course. It was ultimately decided that the Captain of the *Bancoura* be proceeded against. The date of hearing the charge will be fixed at the next ordinary meeting of the Board.

The work of discharging the cargo from the *Bancoura* was proceeded with more actively to-day. The cargo landed to-day was all in a sound state.

LONDON, July 20th.

Advices received from Santiago report that President Balmaceda had ten men summarily shot for attempting to destroy the fleet at Valparaiso.

The master of the insurgent steamer *Utile*, which took on board contraband of war at San Diego, in Southern California, has given half of 600,000 francs, and sails for San Francisco to effect repairs.

Colonel Stephan's army, which is crossing the Cordilleras with the object of overthrowing President Balmaceda's forces, is unable to either advance or retreat owing to the mountain passes being blocked with snow. The troops are suffering greatly from the intense cold. Their hands and feet are failing to please through being frost-bitten.

The immediate cause of the failure of the English Bank of the River Plate, whose premises are situated in St. Swithin's Lane, is the refusal of the London and River Plate Bank to accept bills drawn by the Government of the Argentine Republic, which the English Bank of the River Plate might have then discounted. The bill amounts to something under £5,000,000. The assets are £3,000,000 in excess of the liabilities, but they are chiefly in Argentine securities.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, Viceroy of India, is recovering from his serious attack of influenza.

The Earl of Rosebery will represent Australia on the International Temperance Committee, which is to report to the next Congregational Council.

Prior to closing for the session the French Chamber of Deputies passed the revised tariff by a large majority. The Senate will consider the tariff at the autumn session.

Mr. J. A. Lowe, secretary of the Shipping Federation, has given powerful evidence before the committee of the Royal Labour Commission. He denied that the Federation is hostile to the marine unions, and in proof of his assertion, he mentioned that half the registered labourers of the Federation were unionists.

The Liberals, instead of opposing the vote to cover the cost of preliminary surveys for a line of railway from Mombasa, in East Africa, to the eastern shores of Lake Victoria Nyanza.

At the meeting of governors of the Imperial Institute, held to-day at Marlborough House, the Prince of Wales presided and warmly thanked the organising committee for its energetic work. In the report submitted to the governors he stated that New South Wales, South Australia, and New Zealand had not subscribed the amount promised by those colonies to the funds of the Institute. The Prince of Wales asked Sir Saul Samuel what prospect there was of New South Wales subscribing. He replied that he was hopeful of the promise of Sir Patrick Jennings being redeemed.

A Convention of members of the Irish National League is being held in Dublin, under the presidency of Mr. Parnell. The Convention has adopted a programme of a Radical character, including the reform of the land laws, the principle of manhood suffrage, and the reinstatement of evicted tenants.

President Balmaceda will retain the presidency until the rebellion is quelled. He has shot 20 officers suspected of being implicated with the insurgents. An attempt to poison the rebel leaders has failed.

The *Esmeralda*, to the insurgents in Chile, has made an attack upon the French flag by firing twice at a French corvette at Coquimbo. An apology has been demanded.

At yesterday's sitting of the Convention it was decided that the programme should adhere to the principle of Home Rule for Ireland. Mr. Parnell nevertheless declared that he would welcome Mr. Balfour's Local Government scheme, and he would even support Mr. Healy as head of the anti-Parnellite Party to ensure a sufficient majority of Irish votes in Parliament.

Two hundred and twenty troops of Colonel Stephan's army, which became blocked by snowdrifts in the passes of the Cordilleras, have succeeded in reaching Santiago. There are nearly 3,000 troops still snowbound in the mountain passes.

The contest, which took place yesterday for the vacancy in the representation of Wisbech in the House of Commons, caused by the resignation of Captain Selwyn, who sat in the Conservative interest, resulted in the return of the Radical candidate, the Hon. H. R. Balfour, son of Lord Balfour, formerly Speaker of the House of Commons, by a majority of 260 over Duncan, his Conservative opponent.

The excitement among the Navajo Indians in the United States continues. They have threatened to massacre the white people in the neighborhood of their settlement unless the Sheriff releases their chief, who was recently arrested by the authorities.

The British sovereign now stands at a premium of 20 per cent. in Portugal.

A heavy purse has been offered by the Olympic Club of New Orleans for a match between Fitzsimmons and Hall, the Australian middle-weight pugilists.

A fine was discovered at the Abdin Palace, the residence of the Khedive, in Cairo, and much damage was done before it was extinguished. The principal portion of the palace, however, was saved.

The "Garter," vacant by the death of Earl Granville, has been conferred upon Earl Cadogan, Lord Privy Seal.

The difficulty with the Turkish authorities in connection with the abduction and confinement of Miss Gifford, a British subject, in the Turkish Consulate at Scutoblast, in Persian Turkestan, has been solved by her surrender to the Persian authorities. The hostile Kurds are now dispersing.

The End of Osnabrück forwarded a despatch to Lord Kantsford, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in which he reviews the attitude of New Zealand, in regard to the federation of the Australian colonies. His Royal Highness says that the opinion of the majority of the people is that New Zealand cannot join in the federation, such a step being outside the realm of practical politics. He, however, thinks that the prospect of a consolidation of the national debts, and then conversion into a commonwealth loan, with a possible reduction of interest, would alone be sufficient to tempt New Zealand into the federation.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons last night, Lord George Hamilton, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated the guns in the service of the type of those on board the *Cordoba* would be replaced by guns of a later type except in vessels about to be relieved.

The French Budget Committee has adopted M. Brisson's scheme for doubling the navy. The decision, however, is likely to be rescinded by the Chamber of Deputies before whom it will come as a mere recommendation.

The St. Petersburg Town Council has presented each French ship of the visiting squadron with a piece of silver plate, and each sailor with a cigar-case. The officers of the squadron will attend no less than 17 banquets given in honour of the visit of the French fleet. Admiral Gervais and his suite are to be quartered at Moscow.

It is asserted that the Czar is displeased at the cabal formed by the Russian populace over the visit of the French.

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Heavy rains have fallen in the north-western provinces of India, and the impending famine has thereby been averted, but there will be a great scarcity in the crops. The Indian Government has granted a sum of £10,000 for the relief of the sufferers by the failure of the harvest.

The Chilian Government warship *Pinto*, which has been cruising off the coast of France, was purposefully run on the rocks at Toulon by a disloyal crew.

Heavy floods have taken place in Germany in the country traversed by the river Spree. Hundreds of peasants have been rendered homeless, and many are in a starving condition.

The Russian officials, who were at first very exuberant over the visit of the French squadron, are now less enthusiastic.

Great excitement has been caused in St. Petersburg by the announcement that the police have arrested 28 officers of the army on a charge of being implicated in a plot to assassinate the Czar.

The police also arrested 40 Nihilists for complicity in the conspiracy.

The Nihilists offered a most desperate resistance when being arrested, seven of them being killed in the struggle.

Miss Greenhalgh, the British subject who was alleged to have been abducted by Khrudin, a Persian Kurnid, has now assumed the British Consul at Sopot, Poland, that she became a convert to Islamism, and instead of having been abducted, she simply followed a Khrud, to whom

she declares, she was married. She refuses to return to her relatives in Persia.

By the fall of a large chimney stack eight persons were killed, at the chemical works at Gateshead, near Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The man Pinter has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment for defrauding Mr. Stricker, the well-known jeweler, by professing to be able to produce sovereigns from base alloy.

Mr. H. J. Atkinson, M.P. for Boston, has been suspended for a fortnight, for having adressed insulting letters to the Speaker of the House of Commons, who had altered the terms of certain questions put by Mr. Atkinson to the Government.

The St. Mandé Railway Station was crowded with excursionists at the time of the collision, and hundreds witnessed the burning of the train which took fire. Twenty persons were burned to cinders. The catastrophe caused intense excitement in the neighbouring country, and at daybreak the railway station was surrounded by about 20,000 persons.

It is alleged that the disaster was due to the danger signal having been wilfully changed, and to the brake being tampered with.

At the sitting of the Wesleyan Conference the Rev. Dr. Bowman Stephenson, the newly-elected president, condemned the placing of immoral men in high positions. The Rev. Mr. Harrison, of Manchester, prayed for the conversion of the Prince of Wales. (1)

A boxing match for £1,000 took place at the California Athletic Club, San Francisco, yesterday, between George Dixon, champion bantam-weight of the world, and Abe Williams, champion bantam-weight of Australia. Dixon knocked out Williams in five rounds.

The Dockers' Union has divided the balance remaining of the Australian strike fund, the Carpenters and Joiners receiving £400, the Dockers' Union £269, the remainder being handed over to other strikers.

The Treasury returns of the United States for the past fiscal year have been published. These show that the commerce of America for the period named exceeded the previous year's operations by \$2,000,000.

The returns also show that the McKinley Tariff has failed to diminish imports. For the period between October 6, 1890, and June 30, 1891, during which the new tariff has been in operation, the total imports were valued at \$630,000,000, compared with \$590,000,000 for the corresponding period of the previous year.

The funeral of the victims of the railway disaster at St. Mandé, on the line from Paris to Vincennes, took place to-day. It is estimated that over 25,000 persons were present. Scenes of the most heart-rending character occurred at the burial ground. The compensation claimed by the persons injured amounts to £120,000.

From Zanzibar it is reported that Emin Pasha is returning to Albert Nyanza, whence he was relieved by Mr. H. M. Stanley, in order to recover the large stock of ivory which he had accumulated, and which was left behind when he joined the Stanley expedition to return to the coast.

The Marquis of Salisbury, speaking at a banquet at the Mansfield House to-night, maintained that the prediction that Ireland required a Royal Commission should be fulfilled, at the fact of England being at the back of Ireland and averting famine and civil war, and he was satisfied that the country still favored the Union with Great Britain.

Referring to the prospects of peace, Lord Salisbury said that the European situation never was so tranquil. Egypt and Bulgaria were developing with a rapidity which promised to solve the Eastern question. He knew of nothing in existing treaties which was calculated to menace the world's peace.

At Toulouse, in France, in connection with the strike of railway employees. It was found necessary to call out the military, who charged the rioters, and a large number of arrests were made.

It is reported that certain of the Powers are endeavoring to induce the Sultan of Turkey to depose Tewfik Pasha, the Khedive of Egypt, on the ground that he is threatening to loose the tides of Egypt and Turkey through favouring Great Britain.

A conference of influential Jews and various societies is to be held in London in the autumn, with the object of arranging for the establishment of Jewish agricultural colonies in the Argentine Republic, South Africa, and Australia.

Mr. Raikes, Postmaster-General, is taking measures to test the capabilities of the route through European Turkey by railway to the present route through Italy to Brindisi, for the conveyance of the overland mails for India, Australia and the Far East.

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At the sitting of the Chilian cruiser *Presidente Errazuriz*, which put into Lisbon her way from France to Chili to recruit for her crew, has detained on board many English, Spanish, and Portuguese sailors. The French Consul at the port secured the release of some French sailors who had been taken on board.

A fight for a heavy stave has been arranged between Paddy Slavin and Charlie Mitchell, but some disagreement has taken place between the Chilian authorities.

An exciting incident has taken place in Lisbon harbour between a Chilian warship and the Portuguese authorities.

An armed boat's crew belonging to the cruiser *Presidente Errazuriz*, which has just been built in France for the Chilian Government, and was on her way to Chili, pursued a police boat at Lisbon, which had prevented men from embarking on board the Chilian vessel. A conflict was narrowly averted by the Chilian commander apologising for the action of his men. All the Portuguese men-of-war in Lisbon harbour had cleared for action.

Several foreign consuls at Lisbon will probably take steps to prevent by force the *Presidente Errazuriz* from kidnapping their subjects in Portugal, and taking them on board as members of the crew.

An amendment moved in the Canadian House of Commons by Sir Richard Cartwright, a member of the Opposition, to a Government resolution favoring unrestricted reciprocity with the United States, was yesterday rejected by

To-day's
Advertisements.

TO LET,
WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
N. O. 37, WYNDHAM STREET. Rent \$40
per month.
Apply to
M. D. SASSOON, SONS & CO.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1145]

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
named Lodge will be held in the FREEMAN-
SON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the
1st September, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1145]

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES
ORDINANCE OF 1865.
AND
IN THE MATTER OF A. G. GORDON &
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the CREDITORS of the above-named Company are required, on or before the 4th day of OCTOBER, 1891, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their Debts or Claims and the names and addresses of their Solicitors if any, to the Underwritten ALEXANDER GRANT GORDON, of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, the Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required by notice in writing by the Liquidator, are by their Solicitors to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.

Dated the 24th day of August, 1891.
A. G. GORDON,
Liquidator. [1143]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 7 per cent, per Share for the Six months ended 30th June, 1891, declared at Monday's Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting, will be payable at the premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after TUESDAY, the 25th inst., and Shareholders are requested to apply for DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Company's Office, No. 14, Praya Central.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
D. GILLIES,
Secretary. [1145]

Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1145]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG,
AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"

Captain Davies, will sail on the 29th instant, at 4 p.m., instead of as previously notified.

For Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1145]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship,

"ZAFIRO,"

Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at 7 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1142]

DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMOA,"

Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1140]

INCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship
"BELGIC" are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns at Wanchai, from whence delivery may be obtained on presentation of Bills of Lading.

No Fire Insurance is effected.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [12]

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS

FROM LIVERPOOL, PENANG, AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGWOO,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Hongkong, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Office of the Underwriter before Noon, on the 20th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All packed, sealed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 20th inst. will be subject to rate with Lamento and Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon. To DAY.

Bills of Lading will be remunerated by

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891. [1141]

Mails.

INCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE;
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Bolge Thursday 3rd Sept.
Océan Saturday 26th Sept.
Gæte Tuesday 20th October.

THE Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via

Yokohama and Honolulu, on THURSDAY, the

3rd September, at 1 P.M. Connection being made

at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and

Japan Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

From Hongkong, First-class.

To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimalt, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O. 325.00

To Liverpool and London 345.00

To Havre and Hamburg 335.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-

land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic

lines of steamers.

Passenger by this line have the option of

proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific

and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern

Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Return Tickets—First Class—Prepaid return

tickets to San Francisco will be issued at follow-

ing rates:—

4 months \$337.50

12 months \$393.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of

re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-

ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a

discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does

not apply to through fares from China and

Japan to Europe.

ALL PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked t

address in full; same will be received at the

Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day

previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany cargo de-

signed to Points beyond San Francisco, in the

United States, should be sent to the Company's

Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the

Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and

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of the United States, via Overland Railways to

Havasu, Triplid, and Demerara, and to ports

in Mexico, Central and South America, by the

Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.

the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will

be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day.

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